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Mn. TILDEN says he is not a candidate-

Therefore, we are for Mr. Tilden.

THERE is prospect of war between the New York Herald and the New York Sun.

Con. J. O. P. Bunnside's ball has been reprospect of getting out of jail.

Pacific hotel for a Gresham headquarters.

THE Blaine managers offered no objection to the selection of Hon. J. B. Henderson for to fool with the buzz saw any more.

THE New York World prints a first-rate

around in the immediate vicinity of the post- Blaine out of the calculation, he has nearly office department.

sive information that Mr. Tilden is getting the aid of a Hendricks crutch.

GEN. SHERMAN is not a candidate, but he thinks that there is good presidential timber in the Sherman family. Brother John subscribes to the general's views. There is nothing like harmony in a family.

THE editor of the Post will relieve general curiosity and add weight to his utterances by taking the public into his confidence and mains in the field. If it should transpire telling where he gets his exclusive information that Tilden is not a candidate.

THE World says that the election of Lynch is "a big compliment to the colored voters of delegates will unite. the south." It then ill-naturedly adds that there is no salary attached to the position of chairman of the national convention.

In these days of political excitement please do not overlook the fact that we are in the midst of the commencement season. Thou-

THE offspring of the convention will be legitimate. There is no necessity of advance pledges of recognition. The republican party will know the child, and there will be no doubt of its paternity. Later-Mr. Hawkins withdrew his resolution.

num, the showman. Mr. Barnum is a great man, but no greater than Barnum, the livestock man, whose thousand-dollar-mule bargain gave him a national reputation.

NOMINAL value of Mr. Fish's assets \$1 170 392.28; actual value (estimated), \$582,594; wind, \$3,596,798.28. Mr. Fish should have been president of one of Mr. Gould's railroads. where he would have had a better field for the employment of his talents as a financier.

THE Blaine men have the confidence, but It may turn out that somebody else has the voies,-Cos cinnati Enquirer

Alas! too true. The votos have slipped away from him in a mysterious and pleasant fashion. Presently the Blaine men will run out of confidence.

against votes.

at Little Rock, Ark., in 1867. Cause, accidental discharge of shotgun while hunting."

DEMOCRATIC papers are outraged at the put upon itself in electing Mr. Lynch temand his only use would have been as an received by republican conventions,

direction of the gentlemen who had sharge of claims to represent in the party councils. the spontaneous programme, has been prac- In the meantime Senator Mahone will devote a long time. It was known a month for the republican candidates. If he succeeds, turn his vote over to Gen. Sherman years ago will be complete, and the "solid" at the critical moment. The sturdy old south will cease to determine political con-

purpose of defeating somebody else. He can trymen to a higher plane of freedom. see through a millstone quite as far as anybody.

Convention Probabilities.

The convention will probably get down to with becoming dignity. Ex-Senator John B. Henderson, of Missouri, was made permacommittees are attending to the details incident to convention organization.

The anti-Blaine forces are unquestionably worsted in the preliminary struggle, the Blaine hosts have not left the field. They may prevail, but the chances are that they will not. The odds are largely against them, but they will not surrender as long as they see a gleam of light along the horizon of their hopes. A combination that only lacks thirty duced to \$20,000, and the prisoner new has a or forty of a majority in a convention composed of 821 delegates is a power not to be ignored or trifled with. Nothing Wonp comes from Chicago that Col. Inger- but a union of the opposing delegates will soll has thrown open his parlors at the Grand | accomplish its ultimate defeat. Fortunately, the anti-Blaine delegates are not distracted by factional quarrels or family rows. They have honest differences of opinion as to the strength, merits, and availability of caudipermanent chairman. They have no desire dates, but the discussion about men is carried on in a friendly spirit that is in itself a promise of good results.

The President still maintains a commandcut of Postmaster General Gresham-Indi- ing lead. He is in precisely the position his ana's favorite son. Lightning is playing friends hoped he might be placed. Leaving three times as many votes behind him as the other candidates combined, and he is well THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN has exclu- thought of by all. The more he is discussed the brighter his prospects will grow. He will physically better every day. If he keeps up lose nothing by delay in reaching the ballothis lick he will be able to stand alone, with | ing period. The sober, second thought of the convention will nominate him, if it is in the book of fate that he is to win, and time will be a potent factor in the process of reaching a conclusion.

There are really only three candidates in the field, viz, Arthur, Edmunds, and Blaine, The others are possibilities. In the event of a break in the Blaine lines, Harrison or Logan may be pushed to the front. Neither has a ghost of a chance while Blaine rethat the President cannot be nominated, Gresham, Sherman, Hawley, Fairchild, or some other man may take the lead. Edmunds may be the man upon whom the anti-Blaine

The dark horse candidates hold excellent strategic positions, but there is every reason for believing that the fight will eventually narrow down to the square issue-Arthur or Blaine. The President combines more elements of convention and popular strength than any other candidate. The convention tuo teas maint out cont out might make a mistake in nominating a dark nominating the President. Incomplete coin facts will guide the convention to a wise

Applause for Mahone.

One of the most significant incidents of the Chicago convention was the reception given to Senator Mahone. When, as chairman of THE public schools of Bridgeport, Conn., the Virginia delegation, he arose to announce were closed the other day in honor of Bar- its vote in the election of a temporary presiding officer, he was greeted with deafening applause. No man has appeared in the convention the mention of whose name excited so much enthusiasm. Senator Mahone is an Arthur man, and a large majority of the Virginia delegation favor the nomination of President Arthur, but the applause was not confined to the sections of the hall in which the President's friends were seated; it came from the whole convention, and was a tribute from the great republican party to the man who dared to grapple with bourbonism and throttle it in its hereditary stronghold.

From first to last Senator Mahone's delegation has been recognized as the only one that represents the republican party of Virginia. A majority of the members of the national committee are supposed to favor the nomination of Mr. Blaine, but the committee placed THERE was danger that the Blaine brass the Mahone delegation on the roll as the only bands, campaign songs, and clamor would delegation from Virginia entitled to recognienable the Historian's friends to rush him tion. Although the delegation was known to through the convention, but, happily, the be friendly to President Arthur, the friends hurrah game is blocked. If Mr. Blaine wins of the other candidates raised no question now it will be the result of a steady pull, as to its right to represent the repub-"Magnetism" and brag will not prevail lican party of Virginia, and gave it a hearty welcome. A few professed republican papers in the north have affected THERE is danger sometimes of overdoing to sneer at Senator Mahone as a "repudiator" the "one-armed soldier" business. One of the unworthy of being admitted to fellowship powerful reasons advanced to show why the with republicans whose fundamental croed is national convention delegates should vote for the maintenance of the public credit. The Pawell Clayton was that it would not do to reception given to Senator Mahone at Chicago vote against a one-armed soldier. At this is a sufficient answer to these subsidized orinteresting juncture a printed slip conveying gans of a clique of speculators whose opporthis information was circulated among the tunities for gambling in Virginia securities delegates: "I saw Clayton's arm amputated have been restricted by readjuster legislation. As for the forlorn adventurers who went

to Chicago as the representatives of the socalled "straightout" republican party of Virginia, they seem to have been utterly ignored. indignity the republican national convention No faction has sought to increase its strength by proposing an alliance, or by even asking porary chairman. If the democrats had for their admission. No candidate wants been parmitted to retain their hold on the reins their votes. They pretended to desire the of government such a terrible thing could nomination of Mr. Blaine, but Mr. Blaine's not have happened. The negro would not managers will have nothing to do with them. have been allowed to vote in the first place, Such of them as are republicans at heart will fall in with the regular party organizaarticle of merchandise. But perhaps it tion and assist in making Virginia a repubwould have been best, everything considered, lican state. The rest will go where they if the democrats had been consulted before belong-into the bourbon camp. The most Mr. Lynch was put in nomination and conspicuous pretender in the lot will no elected. Their advice is always thankfully doubt continue to reside in Washington and shave the notes of department clerks at usurious rates, while abler and braver and As an evidence of the spontaneity of the better men will fight the battles of republi-Gen. Sherman boom, the convention band, by canism in the district which he fraudulently

ticing "Marching Through theorgia" for all his energies to carrying the state of Virginia ago that Mr. Blaine was preparing to the revolution which he inaugurated four warrior's declaration that he would not allow | tests upon sectional lines. When this

his name to go before the convention, and happens no republican in the north or south would not serve if elected president, has put | will sneer at him as a "repudiator," He a quietus on the scheme. Gen. Sherman may | will take his place at the head of the southbe eccentric, and all that, but he has too ern statesmen whose courage, sagacity, and much sense to let himself be used as the political tact have broken down the spirit of ent's paw of a disappointed politician for the | caste and lifted up the masses of their coun-

West Virginia Fiction.

The manufacturing of bogus dispatches for the newspapers is carried on by two or three amateur liars in West Virginia. One of them business to-day. It is preceeding slowly and has been at the business for ten years or more, and his stunid fictions have been exposed many times; but credulous editors connent chairman yesterday, and the various tinue to publish them, without any inquiry as to their truth. These mendacious rascals have been particularly industrious during the past three or four weeks, in the majority, and they have only to unite and highly reputable journals have upon a candidate to nominate him. Although unwittingly given circulation to their absurd stories. A highly wrought fiction about an elopement in Greenbrier county is now going the rounds of the newspapers which is utterly destitute of truth. The lover and the father of the fugitive girl, according to the bogus dispatches, were both drowned as the pursued and pursuer were crossing the Greenbrier river. The whole story was a pure invention. The Greenbrier Independent has made diligent inquiry in the neighborhood in which the tragedy was said to have occurred, but no one could be found who had ever heard of it.

Another story, which obtained its first publication in the New York Telbens some days ago, is equally false. It was to the effect that three masked men came to the house of John Carlos, on Little Mud river, called him to the door, and, when he appeared, seized and gagged him. They searched the house for money, but, finding none, blew out the poor man's brains, set fire to the house, and disappeared. The Charleston Times says the story is a lio, without a shred of truth or fact in the whole fabric. A few days ago sympathetic people were pained to read of the diabolical crime of a certain James Hall, alleged to be the sheriff of Webster county, who was represented to have chained his wife to a rock and left her to starve to death while he gave himself up to the society of an abandoned woman. Most persons who read the story were glad to be informed that the cruel husband was in imminent peril of being lynched. There has been no lynching, however, because there was nobody to lynch. All the characters and incidents were purely mythical. The story of the two young ladies of Mineral county, who administered poison to a young man, and the subsequent horsewhirping of one of them, and the tarring and feathering of the man who inflicted the punishment, has no better foundation. It is simply an absurd lie like all the rest. Yet there are newspapers that encourage the manufacturing of this kind of trash by pay-

Stories like these are calculated to do a great deal of harm to the state in which they are located. Newspaper readers get the impression that there must be a very low state of civilization in communities where these roorbacks have the sagacity to locate them in places remote from telegraph lines and railroads, and they thus get a week's start before any contradiction can be sent after them.

In the brief sketch of the Hon. Charles M. Shelley, of the fourth district of Alabama, which appears in the Congressional Directory, he is represented as having received 7,159 votes to 4,435 votes for Judge Craig. How this result was arrived at no person not familiar with the method of electing democratic representatives in strong republican districts can comprehend. Some light was thrown on these figures in the argument made in behalf of the contestant before a subcommittee of the house committee on elections vesterday. Whether the democratic majority can take a judicial view of the case is problematical. In the south majorities do not always elect.

Fatal Offers for Fast Horses. The noted race horse Force died at Latopia course, Covington, last week, Few faster horses than the black son of West Roxbury have ever appeared upon the American turf In short spurts of five and six furlongs he was almost invincible. Being allowed to run for the Magnella stakes at Louisville, which he won, when out of condition he contracted ling fever and could not be saved. His owner had refused \$5,000 for him on the day of his last race. It is said that the person who made the offer to buy Force offered \$15,000 for Ascalon, who died within a week a the time his proposition was refused, that last autumn be offered a large sum for that fine race horse Aztec, which not accepted, and Aztec was numbered with his fathers inside of a fortnight. Evidently when this gentleman proposes to buy a racer it would be good policy to imitate Davy Creeket's coon and "come down."

ARMY AND NAVY NOTES.

Leave of absence for one year, from July 1, 1884, granted to Msj. Blencoe E. Fryer, surgeon U.

The United States steamer Tallapoosa left th Westington havy yard yesterday afternatively for the northern yards. Leave of absence for three months, to take effect on his arrival at St. Paul, Minn., is granted Capt, John D. Hall, assistant surgeon U. S. A.

Capt. George E. Pond, assistant quartermaster, relieved from further duty in the division of e Missouri, and will return to his proper station how York city.

During the absence of the chief signal officer Capt. Samuel M. Mills, bit artillery, acting signa-officer, will, by direction of the President, tas-charge of the office of the chief signal officer and Orders were issued resterday detaching all the four-year cadess at the Naval academy and ordering them to duly on the United Sames steamship Hartford, Powintain, Alliance, Vandelia, Galena, and Tennessee for two years' sea service.

Eusign S. F. Woodworth detached from the Dale and ordered to the Passaic; Passed Assistant Surgeon C. W. Deane, from the Vandalia and ordered to the Minnesota Passed Assistant Surgeon Thos. C. Craig, from the Minnesota and ordered to the Vandalia.

Capt John B. Nixon, Mih infantry, having been found by an army retiring beard incapacitated for active service, the leave of absence on surgeon secrificate of disability, granted him in special orders No. 243. October 21, 1853, from this office, is extended until further orders on account of

Passed Assistant Engineer Charles H. Manning has been placed on the retired list of the may. Heut. Commander D. C. Woodrow has been retired on furlough say. The retiring board having reported that the disabilities of Passed Assistant Engineer J. Van Hovenberg are not permanent, he will not be placed on the retired list at present. the will not be placed on the retired list at present. The following changes in the atations and duties of officers of the medical department are ordered: Capt. Henry Johnson, medical storetemper, is relieved from duity at the medical purveying depot at San Francisco, Cal., and will proceed to New York city for duty at the medical purveying depot in that city, relieving Capt. Andrew V. Cherbonnier, medical storekeeper. Capt. Cherbonnier, on being relieved by Capt. Johnson, will proceed to St. Louis, ho, for duty at the purveying depot at St. Louis, relieving Capt. Bealt of his duties as medical storekeeper. WHAT THEY SAY.

Comment, Wise and Otherwise, of the Newspapers of the Land.

A SAVAGE RETORT.

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New York Heads.

On Thursday night last Mr. Blaine said to a gentleman in Washington that "the failure to get the nomination at Chiesgo would be no disappointment whatever to him, and that the prospect of a republican being elected was so doubtful, on account of the almost certainty of a panic from overspeculation, that the loss of the nomination could not be more than the loss of an empty honor." We reported this conversation in alignity different more than the loss of an empty honor. We reported this conversation in slightly different terms in the Heruld of Friday last. Mr. Blaine's words were not confidential, and were repeated soon after they were spoken. and the gentisman who heard them and repeated them is an enthusiastic republican, and, we suppose, a Blaine man. He was formerly a senator of the United States, and he did not send a substitute to the war. word is worth more than Mr. Blaine's. He never went on his knees to Mulligan, and he never had a sunstroke in the lope that an appeal to public sympathy would cut short an inquiry into his crooked conduct.

LET US ELECT HIM PRESIDENT.

Over a door at No. 20 Nassau street. New ork, still hangs a sign bearing the name of J. Tilden. It is a reminder of the palmy days of the sage of Gramerey park, when he was an active participant in so much im-portant litigation. The old building is still full of traditions of the old lawyer who always spoke in a whisper and ambled about aways spoke in a waisper and amored acout so gently on the tips of his toes. Gen. Bristow has an office on the opposite side of the hall, and one day Mr. Tilden employed him to look after a law case. Shortly afterward the Kentuckian stepped into the office and said: "Mr. Tilden, I dropped in to ask you what was in that suit you intrusted to me." The old man of the sea nut his lips close to The old man of the sea put his lips close to Bristow's ear and replied: "Why, general, that's just what I employed you to find out."

PRODUCE THE WITNESSES. New York Herold.

George Bliss's organ in Washington com-ments on the Herald's report of Mr. Blaine's expression of his opinion on the republican expression of his opinion on the republican nomination for the presidency, and assumes to doubt its accuracy, unless proof of the same be produced by the Hereld. In the elegant language of the organ of George Bliss, the Herald is desired to "trot out the witnesses or shut up." Well, when it comes to trotting out witnesses, why did not George Ulias tables. Bliss take his own solvice in the star route investigation? One difference between Bliss and the Herald (and there are a good many) consists in the fact that we have our witnesses, while George Bliss's witnesses had

A NEGRESS TURNING WHITE,

Atlanta Constitution. There is a negro woman in Marietta, Ga. who is gradually turning white—white spots cover her face and other parts of her body. This cover her face and other parts of net body. In a bleaching process of nature has been going on for some time. The woman is working for one of the best families of the place. She is apparently in good health, and the white spots, which keep enlarging and spreading over her body, cannot be accounted for upon any other hypothesis than that she has a recullar akin disease that is working out this peculiar skin disease that is working out this wonderful transformation. It gives her no uneasiness whatever, because it is painless.

THE LITTLE END OF NOTHING. Wheeling (W. Va.) Register.

From the way the republican papers talk about Blaine railroads in West Virginia one would think that he had this state all cut up with them. The fact is that he owns a little bit of stock in a little bit of a road, about bit of stock in a little bit of a road, about fifty miles in length, in a little bit of a neck of a little bit of a corner of the little bit of northeastern section of this little state. If his chances for nomination are no larger than his West Virginia railroad interests his show

ABORIGINAL LAWS IN A CIVILIZED STATE. New Haven Pulladium.

The little state of Tlaxcala, the Rhede Island of Mexico, has codes peculiarly its own. This state was an independent republic, defringed beams the of the label, say her label, are said to be much the same as they were then in many respects, the only instance, it is thought, where the aboriginal laws have been preserved for a civilized commonwealth.

SHOWER OF YOUNG TOADS IN YUCAIPE. San Francisco (Cal.) Times

M. Simpson, of Yucsipe, was in town to-day, and gives good reports of his section. Among other phenomena of the present season, he reports a shower of young teads, which, if they did not rain down, at least came from some unknown region in untold millions immediately after one of the heavy rains and covered the ground thickly in all directions, and were crushed beneath the wagon wheels in the road.

THE DIFFERENCE VERY SLIGHT.

It is probable that Secretary Gresham will be asked to put on embarge on the eminent Russell Sage's mail on the ground that his establishment is nothing more nor less than a policy gaining house. The difference between his "puts" and "calls" and gambling is hardly as great as that 'twixt "tweenledum" and

HE'LL NEVER LET GO. Cherier-Journal.

If Blaino
Do wane,
And Aribur get the chair,
Will Jim despair? He'll just sit down and walt For '88!

A CONUNDRUM FOR THE FREE TRADERS Boston Journal. About once in two weeks a shipload of

English paupers, whose passage has been paid by the British government, land on our shores. Now, if Great Britain is such a paradise as the admirer of British free trade declare, why are these people pauperized? ZOOLOGICALLY CONSIDERED. Cincinnati Enquire

A cable dispatch says that Mr. Vanderbilt is quite a lion in London. A dispatch from Mr. Vanderbilt himself clearly indicated that be was a bull. We may state in this connec-tion that whatever else Mr. Vanderbilt is, he s quite a lion in London s not an ass.

AS MUCH AS A DOLLAR AND A HALF. Philadelphia Cult.

We wonder if those newspaper reporters of Mr. John Swinton, who get all the way from \$7,000 to \$15,000 u year, lest very much in the NOT TROUBLED ABOUT INSTRUCTIONS.

El Mahdi, the plumed knight of the Soudan seems certain of a majority on the first ballot at the Khartoum convention.

A BAD CASE OF BIG HEAD, Boston Heraid. New England asks no favors. In all that nakes life worth living it is at the head of the country.

Atlanta Constitution. The star-eyed goddess of reform seems to save placed her hind foot on the saddle-bags A REPORTER'S SECOND NEWS CROP.

Waterbury American,

Mrs. M. H. Curtis's petatoes, mentioned one time ago, are now in blossom. TROUBLE BREWING. The cipher dispatches are in pickle for use if the old ticket is nominated

New York Journal. The grave of the old ticket ought to be decorated before the flowers fade. A VERY HUMOBOUS CONUNDRUM. Galveston News

TIME ENOUGH YET.

Did anybody ever hear of Mr. Tilden get-ting caught in Wall street? THE SUMMER STYLE IN KENTUCKY.

The best new trousers for summer wear have two pistel-peckets. AN ABSURD CLAIM.

The Blaine men declare that 250,000 Irishnen in New York will vote for the Maine statesman because his ancestors were Cathostatesman because his ancestors were any lies. The man who imagines that any lies. The man who imagines that any Your eastern democrat is a queer fish any-THE REASON OF IT.

Why Mr. Blaine Has so Few Friends Among the Republicans of the South, and Why They are so Universally Friendly to President Arthur.

bigetry is out of place anywhere but in an

THEY CAN NOW ROOST LOW.

his chicken yard.

Daily Western Pennsylvanian.
Billy Coun has put up a new feuce around

A TEXAS ESTIMATE.

Fort Worth Gazette

Washington Disputch to the New York Telegram A veteran in southern politics, one who has been a stanch republican since the days of reconstruction, was asked to-day why so few of the southern delegates to the national convention favored Blaine for president and so many favored Arthur. To which he replied :

"The reason why Blaine is weak among southern republicans is because he used his power and influence as speaker of the house of representatives in 1874 to defeat the passage of what was known as the "Force bill." This was a party measure and had about the unanimous support of the republican members of congress at that time. Its purpose was to confor on the president ample purpose was to confer on the president ample powers to protect southern republicans in the exercise of the elective franchise. Shortly before the bill was introduced in congress several of the cotton states had been wrested from the governmental control of the reput from the governmental control of the republican party by the armed forces of the democracy. Occurrences such as were recently shown by the senate's Copiah investigation were the daily incidents of the political campaigns through which the republicans of these states had passed. An actual reign of terror existed.

"It was made clearly apparent to the

"It was made clearly apparent to the republican congress that unless the president were given adequate powers to enforce the laws and use the army and navy when necessary for the purpose, elections would

Mr. Blaine prevented the passage of the bill, and precisely that condition of things has come to pass. There have been no elections in the cotton states since that time. The polls are opened in due form, but the ballots are counted as the democrats and not as the votors wish them to be. The truth of this statement is so notorious that it has ceased to be denied. The republicans of these states, when reminded of their deplorable condition on each and every election day, are at the same time reminded of Mr. Blaine's course, when he defeated the bill intended for their releif. They cannot forget it as long as they are suffering the direct conse-

queuces of his act.
"It is pretonded that Arthur is strong and
Blaine weak in the southern states because
the former has favors in the ways of patronage to bestow and the latter has none. But if the votes of the delegates to the national conventions 1876 and 1880 are examined, it will be seen that Blaine had then as little strength in these states as he has now,

"Talk about the influence of patronage! Why, Sherman had at his disposal in 1830 all that Hayes had to promise or bestow, and he Why bestowed or promised it havishly. Yet Grant received the great bulk of the southern vote. "Now, having given you the sound and solid reason why the south opposes Blaine, I would ask why it should not be favorable to Arthur? About all the republican state conventions recently held, including those whose members preferred other presidential candidates, were compelled to acknowledge the excellence of Arthur's administration. the excellence of Arthur's administration. But in a narrow party sense alone the republicans of the whole country are under the greatest obligation to him. They were divided into factions—it appeared hopelessly divided—when he became president. By the unsolfish exercise of excellent judgment and tact he united them. If he had been a member of a faction before, he ceased to be so

s soon as became president.
"In addition Mr. Arthur has made a more favorable impression on the southern remblicans, who have had intercourse with gentleman, not only in manner, but in everything. "You now see why Blaine, with all of his

magnetic brilliancy and dash, has failed to find followers in the south, and why the president has found them."

President Polk's Widow. Nashville (Tenn.) Banne

Right in the heart of Nashville stands a Right in the heart of Nashville stands a large, old-fashioned homestead of dull red brick, its roof projecting over the broad plazza, supported by great fluted pillars, and its general aspect conveying an impression of several statelloss, in Joseph 20. severe stateliness, in pleasing variance with the distorted, would-be fashionable architecture in the same neighborhood. A long lawn stretches in front of the house, and its leasant green monotony is unbroken save by plain and massive temb of white marble which carries its own best epitaph in the

simple inscription, James K. Polk.
A ring at the bell brought to the door a good-natured colored girl, who took our cards o the venerable and venerated widow President Polk.

Time, of course, has stolen the vivid coloring and curved outlines of youth, but he has not robbed her of the upright figure and dignified carriage, and has left brightness in her eyes and vivacity in her voice, beside lending an added charm in her faultless man-

From the library of the dead president, she can gaze upon the tomb that marks his rest-ing place, and in that same library remains

Ing place, and in that same library remains his hat, flowes, and cane, just where he laid them when he came home for the last time. The book he was reading lies open on the table, and the papers of the day beside it. In society, and fond of it, Mrs. Polk has yet never accepted an invitation since her husband's death, though with graceful her pitality and tact she has received on the first day of each year the Tenessee legislature. day of each year the Tennessee legislature which adjourns in a body to call upon her, and which I am told is the highest compli-ment ever paid by state authorities to a lady, and the civil, judicial, and ecclesiastical bodies make it a point to pay their

Produce Camblers and Cambling.

Guth's Broadway Notes Mr. Gregaton, proprietor of the Windsor hotel, was asked, "Who will be nominated at the convention?" "Why, Blaine," said be. This western and northwestern hates Wall street. Mr. Arthur will come here with Wall street behind him, and you will hear a hoot sud then a shout when Blaine's name is mentioned that will satisfy your nerves. "Said I: "What do you think about business in Chicago?"
"For two years," said he, "liquidation has been going on. Only a few years ago when I wanted money I could get \$25,000 on my personal notes from one bank. There was such inflation that they begged their customers to come said take means. their customers to come and take money. Now the same bank would give me \$2,500 and no more. Don't you know," said the host, no more. Don't you know," said the host, "that when you cannot get money your habits conform to that fact? All the institution have been letting people have money on all kinds of securities, and their living has ad-vanced according to their credit. Now these stocks have shrunken to that point where they will not command any considerable leans," Said I: "Your produce gambling here began in local operations?" "No," re-plied my friend; "It was not until Wall plied my friend; "It was not until Wall street took hold of produce gambling that it ever amounted to much. They ran out the patience of people on railroad stocks, and took up produce gambling as something to draw in the lower multitude. Our big opera-Our big opera draw in the lower multitude. Our hig opera-tors in the necessaries of life are experienc-ing the same shriukage that those who held railroad stocks did. The very corn and pork is becoming cheap on their hands because they used it for artificial speculation."

## DEPARTMENT NEWS.

The receipts from internal revenue yesterday were \$20.0,720, and from customs \$655,899, and the national bank notes received for redemption amounted to \$500,000.

The President has approved the act extending the duration of the court of commissioners of Ala-bama claims, and the act providing for the muster and pay of cortain officers and enlisted men of the volunteer force.

In the court of claims yesterday the cases aris-son out of unsettled differences between the United States and the Union Pacific Rallroad company, were set for a hearing November 24, to which date the court adjourned. candidate can be elected because of religious

CURRENT GOSSIP.

Lives of boomers all remind us That the world is full of tricks; When we go we'll leave behind us All our pile of spondulix.

Then perchance a Ward or Eng. Cruising 'round like pirates bold, Like the lucre-loving Keno, Will absorb our pile of gold.

Let us then beware of boomers, Both in polities and stocks, And, avoiding baits and rumors Learn to lock our bonds in box.

EIGHT hundred churches have been burned down in the United Sustes within the past nine

In his work on the solar system "Gen. Pratt" maintains that "Eclipsing ignorance is the origin of infidality." THE Webster estate, except the modern

mansion at Marshfield, has been sold to Walton Hall, of Quincy, Mass., for \$15,000. GEN. SAM CARY has dropped the greenback cause and will lecture on temperance this

One of the late Bayard Taylor's daughters with art proclivities is going to London to put herself under the tuition of the painter Hubert

summer, his field of operations being the state of

Herkomer. THOSE capes with peaked shoulders which the girls wear should be adopted by the men. Just think what a lovely place it would be to hide

THE report comes from Georgia that seven women recently made a quilt without speaking a word during the entire operation. They were inmates of a deaf and dumb institution.

a pocket flask,- Wafer on Observe

THE phospate beds in the Bear Creek hills of Autauga county, Ala., are of great value in the manufacture of sulphuric acid. These beds yield manufacture of sulphuric acid. 500 or 600 tons of phosphates to the acre. THUER thousand pounds of pompano, a

delicious fish which is principally caught on the gulf coast, were among the items of cargo shipped last week from Fernandina, Fla., to New York. Tire English missionaries at Jerusalem and

other places in Palestine are reported to be an earnest, hard-working set of men, who are making large numbers of converts to Chris-SINCE John L. Sullivan has made \$50,000

by his recent tour at the west he thinks of sub-siding into quiet responsibility, and it is binted that he may be made professor of athletics at Harvard. JOHN B. GOUGH has gone to Denver to lecture there for the first time. He will take a

few quarts of water along to make the people rehend what he is talking about.- Philadel-HENRY PROBASCO, the Cincinnati million-

aire, had a boy street car conductor arrested be-cause he would not give back a nickel and take a ticket. The boy's father suce the millionaire for 85,000 damages. In order to impart dignity to the town of Maroa, Ill., forty of the merchants have signed a

wide-brimmed slouches that have been in fashion there. Perrasumo, Pa., has a promising heavyweight girl, aged 13, who tips the beam at 400 pounds. She is a native of Westmoreland county.

pledge to wear high silks hats, instead of the

Her mother is also a large woman, weighing no less than 270 pounds. A MATRIMONIAL association has been started in Harlem. Young men pay mouthly dues of \$5 and agree to remain single one year. At the end of that time any one, by giving three months' notice, will receive on his wedding \$2,000. Many

are joining. ROBERT H. TERRELL is a bright young negro who began his Boston career by being a waiter in Memorial hall, Cambridge, but who was persuaded to enter Harvard college, and will graduate this year, taking one of the seven spe

appointments. Ir is told that at Genesco college Charles If it told that at the cases college Charles II. Fowler, whom the Methodists have just elected to be hishup, used to say that he would be willing to so to the place whose existence Col. Ingersell so streamously denies if he could only be valedletorian of his class. He won the honor,

but soon after experienced religion. LITTLE NELL-" Mamma gave me a strawberry. Ain't it big ?" Little Jack-"She gave me one, too. Here it is. It's just as big as yours." Little Nell—"Ain't that nice? Let's pretend it's a strawberry festival!" Little Jack—"But it don't seem like a festival!" Little Nell—"Why don't

Little Jack-"There's too many strawberries."-Philadelphia Call. CAPT. CHESTER A. BALL is a mariner to the very marrow of his now aged bones. Some months ago he lost his ship and returned to Bath, Me., where his daughter lives. She, being dutiful, urged that as he had reached the age of 74 years, and had acquired plenty to live on, he ought to leave the sea to pass his declining days in peace. He promised, but the other night the

old sailor slipped away, went secretly to Rock-and and shipped for another cruise. "MRS. MACKEY," writes Labouchere, London Truth, "has a face and figure which Dick-ens would have liked to aketch in one of his genial and half sentimental moods. She is not tall, but she has a prettily-rounded figure that looks well in plain dress or in fine clothes, freshness, piquancy, transparency of disposition, and noth-ing that shows egotistical self-assertion or self. worship. Her features are well shaped and reg-ular, and her eyes are full-bluish gray and candid. Cabanel has just done a portrait of Mrs. Mackey,

which satisfies all her friends." "WHAT was all that scuffling about down tairs?" asked Mrs. Hilboots, as her lord and maser strode into the room. "Nothing," except that monkey-faced dude asking for Sarah Ann."
"What did he say?" "Oh, he began by saying he
was speaking from the bottom of his heart, and so on." "And what answer did you give?" "I grew spasmodic, too," answered Hilboots, gently tapping his little augelic number twelve shoe, and gave him an answer from the bottom of my

"How are you, old dust?" said a roughlooking man to a venerable, gray-haired Newport octogenarian Sunday evening as they met on the sidewalk. "You insuling wretch," said the old gentleman in angry and tremeling tones as he turned about. "What do you mean by calling me such a name?" "No insuit offered, venerable sir. was at church to-day, and I learned from the acred words of the prescher that man is but dust, and hence, seeing that you one of the oldest of the Dust family, I addressed you as such." The old man then dusted home.-Kentucky State Journa

AT the head of Lord Beaconfield's grave flowers in the form of a cross afford a brilliant display of hyacinths of all colors, mingled here and there with bright red and yellow tulips. The grave is very carefully tended by the sexton, and a perpetual succession of flowers kept up all the year around. The sexton says be doubts whether Lord Benconsiled would have liked all these flowers. He would never allow a flower to grow on his wife's grave. Where all these flowers are low, there was nothing but plain turf. usen's wreath, looking rather aged, still lingers

THE Coco de Mer palm is found only in the Seychelle islands. It is from sixty to a nundred feet high, and its trunk is a foot in diameter all the way up to the top, where it is crowned with a tuft of huge leaves, some of them as much as twenty feet long. The male and female flowers are produced on differentirees. The resulting nut is about a foot long, of irregular shape, and, till the discovery in 1743 of the only spot in the world where those palms grew, was believed to be a marine product. The Malay sailors used to affirm that it graw under water in placid bays; but if they dived for it it disappeared. The nuts were highly prized when found floating about on the

"FREUND'S WERKLY" figures up the losses of fitteen New York theatrical speculations during the season, and makes the total \$486.870. Abbey leads off with \$187,520 deficit on hisopera venture, while Mapleson is set as \$15,000 short. In addition there is said to be \$75,000 claimed by sundry persons as due to them from the managers, and \$150,-00 more is the amount in Higgstion. Here is the other side of the picture: Daly cleared \$50,000 Harrigan and Hart still more. The Casino has done splendidly, frying a coumulated \$40,000 at the Star, and Wallack made money at the Star his old theater), and the new Wallack's up town. More money was spent in amusements than in any other season on record, the gross receipts from eptember to May, in all the New York theaters, being estimated at \$5,000,000.